

THE ARIZONA REPUBLICAN

SPORTS

4 OUTSIDE TEAMS
ORGANIZE LEAGUE
FOR 1920 SEASON

A grammar school baseball league, to be known as the "Big Four," and including teams representing the Osborn, Creighton, Roosevelt and Wilson schools, has been organized. A schedule has been drafted and accepted by the league members.

The "Big Four" league boasts four of the strongest grammar school teams in the valley and the pennant winners will be ready to take on all comers after the close of the league schedule. Friday afternoon of each week has been set aside as regular league playing dates, and games with other than league members must be scheduled on other days of the week. All games in the league will be umpired by men furnished by the city semi-professional teams and Phoenix Union High school.

The schedule will run for a period of nine weeks, giving each team a chance to play the other teams three times, thus making six games to be played by each member. The schedule follows:

March 18—Osborn vs. Creighton, Creighton.
March 25—Wilson vs. Roosevelt, Roosevelt.
April 1—Roosevelt vs. Osborn, Osborn.
April 8—Creighton vs. Wilson, Wilson.
April 15—Osborn vs. Wilson, Osborn.
April 22—Roosevelt vs. Creighton, Creighton.
April 29—Creighton vs. Osborn, Osborn.
April 29—Roosevelt vs. Wilson, Wilson.
May 6—Osborn vs. Roosevelt, Roosevelt.
May 13—Wilson vs. Creighton, Creighton.
May 20—Osborn vs. Wilson, Wilson.
May 27—Creighton vs. Roosevelt, Roosevelt.

The winner of this league will challenge the winner of the other three baseball leagues in the Salt River valley to determine the championship.

BIG TEN ATHLETES COMPETE
BLOOMINGTON, Ind., March 10.—Representatives of nine western conference universities and a number of other middle western colleges and universities will meet here today in the opening event of an annual inter-collegiate fencing, wrestling and gymnastic meet. There are 200 entries in the various events.

KANSAS OUTPOINTS MITCHELL
MILWAUKEE, March 10.—A capacity crowd, with receipts totaling \$25,351, witnessed Rocky Kansas win the newspaper decision from Ritchie Mitchell, local lightweight idol, here last night. Mitchell is planning to retire for a few months, it was announced after the bout.

TREMAINE-MONTREAL MATCHED
TOLEDO, Ohio, March 10.—An announcement was made here today that Carl Tremaine of Cleveland and Young Montreal of Providence, R. I., will meet in a 12-round no-decision bout here tonight of March 16. The stipulated weight is 118 pounds.

RICHIE WINS ON FOUL
SCRANTON, Pa., March 10.—Willie Ritchie of Scranton won from "K. O." Chaney of Baltimore in the eighth round of a scheduled 10-round bout tonight on a foul.

PRESIDENT BRAVES ELEMENTS
WASHINGTON, March 9.—Threatening weather with heavy rain at intervals didn't deter President Harding from playing golf today. He played 18 holes, part of the time in the rain, and did not get back until after dark.

KRONSTADT GOVERNMENT REVOLTS
LONDON, March 9.—The Kronstadt government has issued a proclamation to the world workers to begin a fight against the Communists, according to a Helsinki dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company.

After two years of service, the Polish women's battalion 200 strong, is to be demobilized.

GOOD PORTRAITURE.



Greylock—She is the picture of health. Jesse—Yes; remarkably well painted.



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DETECTIVES SHADOW
WILDCATS' MANAGER

ONCE MORE, THAT BIRD WITH THE BLACK MUSTACHE.

CHAPTER XVII

We hit Angel City at its hottest for a couple weeks of rest. The Wildcats had just completed a hard schedule of games. Only one outfit, a strong outfield nine, had trimmed us.

Not that we expected to be altogether idle in Angel City. We had a battle billed with a colored club, and a very important tussle with an all-star aggregation of former eastern college cracks. The boys had set their hearts on winning this last contest, with Brewster in the box. He had yet to lose a game for the Wildcats.

Tuffy Doyle, also, was chewing about wanting to mill at Vernon. We really promised to be fairly busy.

The negro nine we were due to play was known as the Black Sox, and Freddy Hopper declared they were a rip-snorting bunch of balltossers. They were gonna give my sterling athletes a decided whirl.

The evening before our combat with the Dark Horse, I looked for Exeter Washington Ambrose in vain.

"Where's Ezema?" I ask Muddy Clay and Tuffy Doyle, butting in on their game of straight pool.

"He's down in Darktown somewhere," Muddy grins. "He took his cantering cubes along."

"Ezema thinks them educated dice of his will win a lotta jack away from these Angel City dummies," Tuffy adds. "He'll need a wagon to bring it back—maybe."

"When you want that black rascal he's just like the highwaymen they have here—always missing," I grumble.

The next morning Ezema was abroad bright and early, his dusky face beaming. His chest hadn't been out so far since the day he had made that one wonderful catch at Fir Forks. At breakfast I heard all about it.

"Ezema had the old ivories galloping right noble last night," says Johnny Worth. "He cleaned out Darktown. He says Lady Luck was at his elbow every second."

"I heard he got everything one poor duck owned, and was just going to throw for his secondhand flapper when the unlucky guy quit cold. Old Ek is a gambling fool. I'll say," adds Tiny Crumb.

"Yeh, he cops the nonskid watermelon," laughs Curly Bloom. "With all their jack gone those colored gents won't be able to bet on the game, and we oughta win easy."

"No, we won't win easy," I warn. "These boys can swing get around the lot, and we'll be playing on their own egg ranch, too."

"What's to pitch, chief?" Buck Horn queries.

"Lefty, I guess. I hear they don't hit the southpaws much."

"Well, he'll be all right against brunets, but he's the Swiss moth balls against blonds," chirps Tuffy Doyle, and a young riot nearly comes off.

Going back to my bungalow on Spring street after the morning exercise I found the door of my room partly open. Thinking the maid was giving the joint the once-over, I shoved in. At my entrance a man leaped up from some of my baggage and handed me a startled look.

And this bird had a black mustache! Evidently up to the same tricks he had been trying once before, in Medbank.

"Well, I got up in the act this time!" I snap. "The old hoosgow for you, Mr. Black Mustache!"

"Oh, let's be reasonable, Mr. McGuff," he says, quite cool.

"Reasonable?" I yodel. "I'm the most reasonable cookie you ever saw, mister. But when I find a bird going through my stuff, and I know it ain't the first time, well—"

"It IS the first time. You were too fast for me in Medbank," this bullet remarks, calm and brazen.

"So you admit you were monkeying, huh?" I growl. "I have a notion to sap you one for luck before calling a blue benny."

"Don't!" he smiles. "It might be bad luck—for you. No need to call police, either. I'm not a burglar. I'm a detective."

"I suppose so?" I utter, real heavy.

"My name is William Hyde, and I am of the firm of Harker and Hyde, private detectives."

"But why pick on me?" I had heard of Harker and Hyde, and this bird was pretty cool. He wasn't worried a bit.

"Because I happen to be working to protect the interests of young Valentine Brewster," snaps this guy, "and I also happen to know Judge Curtis is paying you money to keep him away from home—and I want to know why."

"Look here!" I yodel. "If Judge Curtis is paying me, I'm earning the coin honestly and not searching other people's rooms. If V. Morgan Brewster or any other bird thinks—"

"Brewster's thoughts are his own!" cuts in Hyde. "So are mine. I apologize for having to play the sneak, but this matter is too serious to hesitate over little things. If you are honest and aboveboard, I'm going to be very sorry. If not, you'll be the sorry one. I advise you to keep your skirts clear if you don't want a heap of trouble, Mr. Matthew Michael McGuff."

And with that volley the man of the black mustache strolled out my room like the stage villain in the third act, while I stared after him as if I were the original Steve Stupid himself.

(To be continued.)

Registration of Chinese students at the University of Illinois this semester has reached 82, the largest in the history of the institution.

In North Carolina, during the school year 1919-20, there were 5580 people, averaging in age 27 years, enrolled in 212 adult illiterate schools.

In Egypt it is a custom for women not to go to church for a year or more after there had been a death in the family.

DUKE CROSS WINS
FIRST TIME OUT
FOR VERNON NINE

Duke Cross, a product of the Phoenix sandlots, got away to a flying start in his initial appearance with the Vernon Tigers yesterday. In a game between the Regulars and Yarnigans, Duke went the entire distance for the Regulars and was returned a victor, 5 to 3.

"He looks mighty sweet to me," Manager Bill Essicks remarked after the game.

It was Duke's first assignment since joining the Tigers in spring training at Los Angeles March 1. The victory should give him the needed confidence and spur him on to greater achievements. Cross is not yet 20 years old.

Ordinarily, its a long jump from sandlot baseball to Class AA league ball, but Duke has seemingly negotiated the wide chasm with a single leap.

Wilson Will Meet
O'Dowd In Titular
Battle March 17

NEW YORK, March 10.—Johnny Wilson, middleweight boxing champion, will defend his title against Mike O'Dowd, former title holder, here March 17. Tex Rickard announced tonight. Wilson won the championship from O'Dowd in Boston about a year ago.

The Wilson-O'Dowd match was substituted for that between Willie Jackson and Rocky Kansas, lightweights, after the latter had cancelled the date.

CARDS TRIM MINOR LEAGUERS
CROWLEY, La., March 10.—(Exhibition)—R. H. E. St. Louis Nationals, Yanigans 7 10 3 Indianapolis American Association 6 5 2
Batteries: Dodson, Sells and Effert; Partlett, Etting, Cavet and Gossett.

NO WEIGHT OR
AGE LIMIT FOR
GIRLS' EVENTS

Through a misunderstanding, an impression had gained headway among girl students of valley schools that a weight and age limit has been fixed for entrants to the girls' track meet, to be held the latter part of this month. This belief is entirely erroneous. It was emphatically stated last evening by a member of the committee on arrangements.

Any girl students of any grade or high school in the valley will be eligible to compete for the prizes, regardless of age or weight, the announcement declared. The committee is especially anxious to have all girls of the valley represented at this first interscholastic girls' meet.

In the boys' meet, however, there is a weight limit of 125 pounds.

Two Innings All
Cochran Needs To
Defeat Horemans

DETROIT, March 10.—Wesker Cochran took but two innings tonight to run out his 380 points in the eighth block of his 500 point billiard match with Edouard Horemans, European 182 balk line champion.

In the first inning Cochran scored 66. Horemans then made one point and the American ended the block with an unfinished run of 224. The block put Cochran in the lead by 457 points.

MACKMEN BEAT CARDINALS
ORANGE, Tex., March 10.—(Exhibition)—R. H. E. Philadelphia Americans 7 8 1 St. Louis Nationals 6 13 5
Batteries: Barrett, Keefe, Eckens and Walker; Styles, Revere, Kircher and Haines, McCarthy, Clemons, Dillhoefer.

Bulgaria has passed a law by which labor is obligatory for women as well as men.

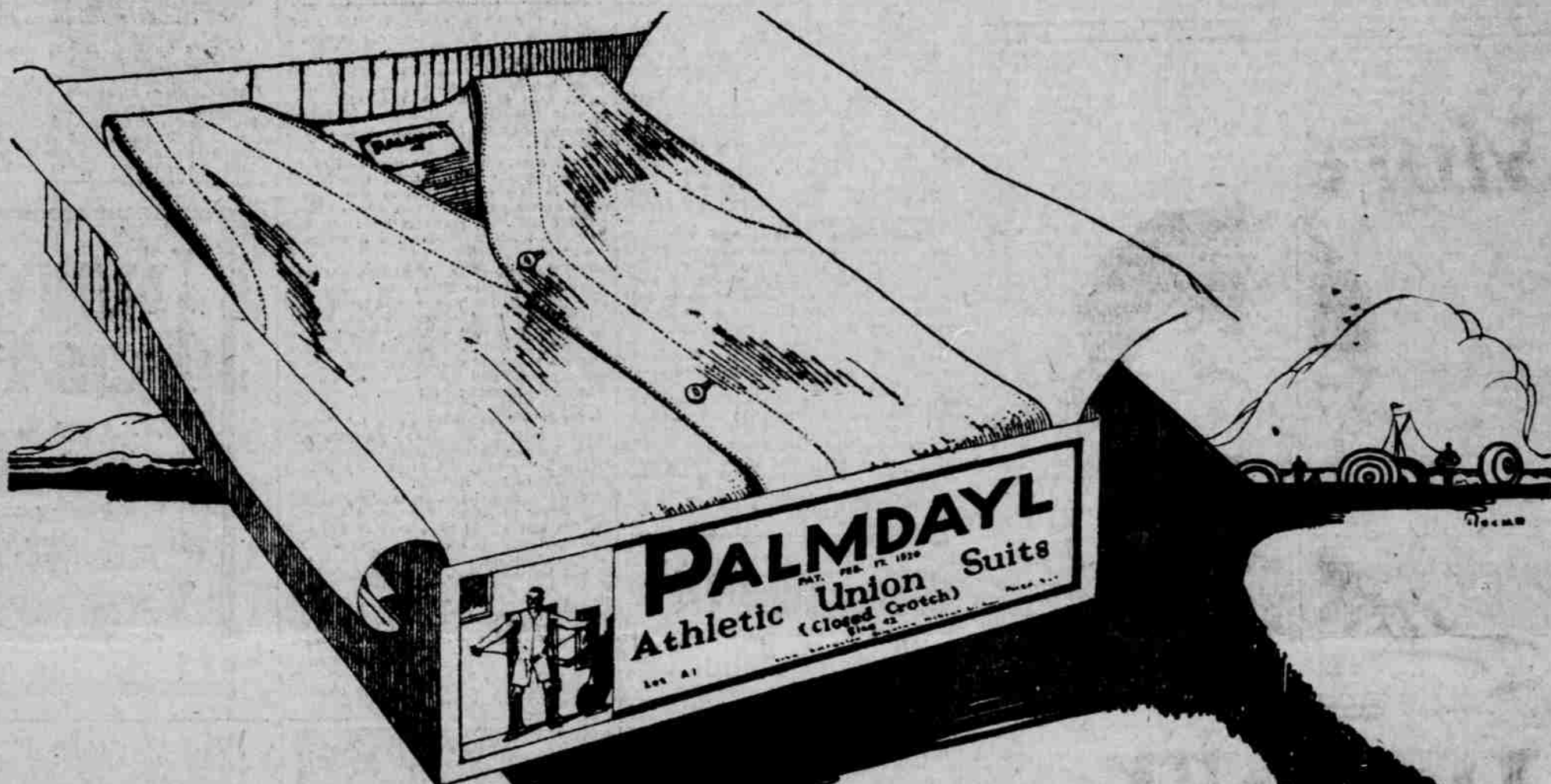
LYNCH SHADES BURMAN
CLEVELAND, March 10.—Joe Lynch, bantamweight champion, tonight won the newspaper decision over Joe Burman, Chicago, in a 10-round bout. Lynch took five rounds, Burman three, and two were even. They weighed under 120 pounds ringside.

Queen Elizabeth of Belgium, at the age of 44 years, is still considered young.



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